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In the
PRESENT WAR
WITH
SPAIN.

From *July* 1739, to *July* 1741.

In a LETTER to a FRIEND.

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BRITAIN, &c.

London, 25^d July, 1741.

SIR,

THE Task you have in such a friendly
Manner given me, could not possibly be
refused by him who looks on your Friendship
as his greatest Happiness.

We have often in Conversation ran over a
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State of former Wars, and made *Essays* to come at the *Profit* one Side or the other have made by them. In some we have found that the Success has not been answerable to the Justice of the Cause. In others, we have agreed that *Right* has triumph'd, and Oppression and Violence been subdued; and in others, both parties have contended, till *neither* had any thing to lose. But arguing from Consequences is fallacious, for Accidents of a Thousand different Natures will intervene in the best Cause, and ruin the best concerted Scheme Human Nature can produce.

For this Reason all wise Governments endeavour to evade even a *just War*, whilst there remains a Probability that their *just Demands* may be granted without it.

Thus in the Case of the present War. All *England* knew they were ill-us'd; every Individual was exasperated against *Spain*, and the Merchants felt the Effects of their *Depredations*. Could a Government sit still and laugh at the Calamity of the Subject? No surely, but on the other hand, neither could they, nor ought they, to plunge the Nation precipitately into a War.

Many were the Remonstrances made to *Spain* to redress the Merchants, which, with
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some *European* Occurrences, produc'd those Treaties we all know of, and is not my present Purpose to speak on. *England* did not merely confide in the Faith of Treaties; but whilst she amus'd the World in that Manner, she prudently took Care to add Weight to her *Negotiations*, by augmenting her *Forces*, and manning her *Fleets*. A Work of this Nature was not to be done, in that *easy* Manner some Gentlemen imagine. The Channel, and the ordinary Service was always provided for, but when a Number of Ships was commissioned, what were the Difficulties in manning them! Out of the usual Allowance of Men, for Guards and Garrisons, none could be spar'd abroad: But before a Declaration of War, an Augmentation was order'd, and new Regiments rais'd immediately after. Would it have been prudent to have transported the old Corps, before the new ones were in some Measure disciplin'd?

'Tis indifferent to us, Sir, who directs the *State Machine*, but let us have Minds so unbiass'd, as not to approve the Views of any Party, if we believe they mean not the Good of the Community.

I shall not take upon me to prove, either (what is call'd) the *Court* or *Country* Party in the right; for as 'tis impossible for a private
Man

Man *positively* to defend the first as he cannot know the Springs of Action, so 'tis impossible, *absolutely* to applaud the last, except he can be certain, that *Ambition, Envy, or Ignorance* had no Part in their Sentiments. 'Tis possible a Minister could raise his Character and baffle all Opposition, were he at Liberty to tell the Publick what secret Advices he had received from Time to Time, which alter'd his Scheme of Politicks, and made That right to-day, which would in the Nature of Things be wrong to-morrow : But 'tis scarcely to be conceived that any Man, much less a prejudiced Person, shall raise Difficulties, and censure a Conduct where he can have no real Idea of the Affair, other than what the Minister shall think proper to communicate, which must always happen to be but a slender Part of the whole.

But Sir, Defending or Censuring is not my Province, it must suffice at present, that according to my Promise, I lay before you a Sketch of the *Profit and Loss* of this present War, and enable you to judge, whether it has been conducted in that blundering Manner, the Writers of a Party, and every News-Paper daily set forth.

In an Attempt of this Nature, 'tis impossible to ascertain the Number of Prizes, or absolutely

absolutely to fix their real Value; but without having a Regard to Politicks, we must have Recourse to political Arithmetick. An Account settled by Vouchers cannot be liable to Error. The following tho' made up by such Authorities and Reports as I judg'd authentic, must certainly be erroneous; but Errors on one Side may possibly balance Errors on the other.

Spain

Spain to Great Britain *Debr.*

July 1739.

T O a Sloop of <i>Providence</i> , a Sloop of <i>Boston</i> , and a Sloop of <i>Bermuda</i>	2300
To a Ship of <i>Bristol</i> taken by a Pri- vateer	5000
To the <i>Port</i> Merchant, Capt. <i>Belgard</i>	2000
To the <i>Sarah</i> , Capt. <i>Darton</i> , carry'd to <i>Genoa</i>	1500
To Ships and Effects seized at <i>Cadiz</i> and other Ports	200000
To the <i>Golden Fleece</i> , the <i>Betty</i> , and three others not named, from <i>New-</i> <i>foundland</i>	8000
To the <i>St John</i> of <i>Waterford</i>	1500
To the <i>Argyle</i> , the <i>Partipreche</i> , and <i>Rachel</i> , with Corn	4000
To the <i>St Joseph</i> , carried into <i>Cadiz</i>	20000
To the <i>Prince of Orange</i> , <i>Woof-Sloop</i> , and a Pink, with the Governor of <i>Jamaica's</i> Horses	3500
To three Ships with Pilchards	4000

Carried forward 251800

Debr.

Per Contra

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July 1739.

2300

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1800

By a French Ship with a Spanish
Pass, taken by Admiral Haddock 5000

By a large Settee, taken by the
Greyhound Man of War 6000

By a Ship with Wine taken by Com-
modore Clayton 1000

By a Ship of 200 Tuns, with war-
like Stores from Genoa to Velechia 10000

By two Ships laden with Ammunition
and three Barks with valuable Effects 4000

By a Privateer of 20 Guns sunk by
Capt. Laws on the Jamaica Sta-
tion 300

By the *Nostra Seniora del Comina* of
100 Tuns seized by the *Eltham*,
Lord Augustus Fitzroy 600

By a Ship with 700 Barrels of Gun-
powder, 10000 Arms and Brais
Cannon, taken by Admiral Had-
dock 11000

By a Ship with 1500 Barrels of Gun-
powder, taken by Capt. Compton in
the *Oxford* 3000

By a rich Ship taken by the *Seaborse* 4000

By a *Guarda Costa*, taken by a St Kitts
Privateer 400

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Carried forward 45300

Spain to Great Britain

Dr.

l.

Brought forward 251800To three Ships from *Honduras* 5000To a Ship with Provisions from *Cork*
for *Gibraltar* 2500To the *Friendship* of *Southampton* 2000To the *Enfield* 3000To the *Joanna* of *Bristol* with Provi-
sions 1500To a *Scotch* Ship, Capt. *Buncle* 600To the *Stour* *Minister* with Fish 800

To a rich Ship not named 3000

To the *Sarah* and *Eliazbeth* Pink 1000To the *Peggy* 1000To the *Bethulia* and the *K. George* 4000To the *William* *Snow* 1000To the *Polly* of *Pool*, and the *Totness* 3000To the *Susannah* from *Ireland*, and
the *Chitty* from *Hamburg* 4000To the *Springfield* 1500To a Ship with Herrings carried
into *Civita Vecchia* 1000-----
Carried forward 286700

Per Contra

Cr.

l.

Brought forward 45300*War declared October 19, 1739.*By *Spanish* Ships seized in Port 18000By the *St Joseph*, taken by Admiral
Haddock 100000By 23 Chests of Silver taken out of
a *Genoese* Ship by Capt. *Ambrose* 6000By a Ship of 250 Tuns, and 14 Guns,
with Cocoa and valuable Effects,
taken by Admiral *Haddock* 40000By a Register Ship taken by Admiral
Haddock, said to have 100000 pieces
of Eight 60000By two Sloops and a Catch taken by
Commodore *Brown* on the *Ja-*
maica Station 800By a Ship taken the North-side of
Cuba, and said to be rich 2000By *Port Plata* plundered by a *Rhode-*
Island Privateer 80000By a Sloop taken by the *Sheerness* 400By a Ship taken off of *Cuba* by the
Drake Sloop 5000By 27 Chests of Silver, each contain-
ing 4000 Pieces of Eight, taken
out of a *Genoese* Ship 20000By a Scooner taken near *St Augustine*
with Flower and Money 4000

Carried forward 381500

Spain to Great Britain Dr.

l.

	<i>Brought forward</i>	286700
To the <i>Harrison</i> , Capt. <i>Hobson</i> , from <i>Virginia</i>		4000
To the <i>Vigilance</i> , Capt. <i>Hall</i>		2000
To the <i>Oratavia</i> , Capt. <i>Maxey</i> car- ried into the <i>Carracas</i>		3500
To the <i>Palma</i> from the <i>Levant</i>		5000
To the <i>James</i> and <i>Christopher</i>		10000
To a <i>New-England</i> Ship with Pitch and Tar, and one from the <i>Streights</i> with Wine, Brandy and Oil, not named		4000
To the <i>Ann</i> , Capt. <i>Curling</i>		1500
To the <i>Boston Snow</i> , Capt. <i>Dunn</i> from <i>Dartmouth</i>		1600
To the <i>Unity</i> of <i>Biddisford</i> , Capt. <i>Phillips</i>		2000
To two small Ships not named		1000
To a Ship, Capt. <i>Grimes</i>		800
To the <i>Unity</i> of <i>Liverpool</i> , Capt. <i>Can-</i> <i>non</i> , and the <i>Madeira Merchant</i> Capt. <i>Parker</i>		4000

Carried forward 326100

Per Contra

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36700

4000

2000

3500

5000

10000

4000

1500

1600

2000

1000

800

4000

26100

Brought forward 381500

By a rich Ship taken by the *Tartar* 3000

By a Ship with Salt 500

By the *Havana* Packet Boat 300By a rich Ship taken near *Jamaica* 5000

By a Ship with 100000 Pieces of

Eight, and Cloathing for the Garri-

son of St. *Augustine*, taken by the*Diamond*, Capt. *Knowles* 70000By an *Aviso* taken by Admiral *Had-**dock* 300By three Ships carried into *Carolina* 2000

By a Brig, with Gun-powder, Iron,

and Stores, from *Cadiz* 1000By the Forts at *Porto Bello* demo-

lished

The *Iron Castle*

18 Brafs Patararoes.

Gloria Castle

80 Iron Cannon

St Jeronimo Fort

2 Ships of 20 Guns

40 Brafs Cannon

A vast Quantity of Am-

10 Brafs Field Pieces

munition, and

4 Brafs Mortars

One Snow.

Besides the Ransom, the whole va-

lued here at

100000

By a Ship with Indigo, Cocoa, and

a large Quantity of Money, car-

ried into *Barbadoes* 10000By two Ships cut out of *St Jago*,near *Cape Verd* 6000

Carried forward 579600

Spain to Great Britain.

Dr.

l.

	<i>Brought forward</i>	326100
To the <i>Hannah</i> and <i>Elizabeth</i> , Capt. <i>White</i> for <i>Bristol</i>		2000
To the <i>Hannah</i> , Capt. <i>Deering</i> for <i>Bristol</i>		1500
To two <i>Portugal</i> Ships with <i>Englifo</i> Goods		6000
To a <i>London</i> Ship, and one of <i>North</i> <i>America</i> , not named		4000
To the <i>Richmond</i> , Capt. <i>Sherwell</i> from <i>Gibraltar</i> to <i>London</i> .		3000
To the <i>John</i> , capt. <i>Rowland</i> from <i>Falmouth</i> to <i>South Carolina</i>		2000
To the <i>Adventure</i> , capt. <i>Watkins</i> , from <i>Leghorn</i> to <i>Dublin</i> .		3000
To the <i>Cleland</i> , capt. <i>Dawes</i> , from <i>Oporto</i> to <i>Chester</i>		2500
To the <i>Suttle</i> , capt. <i>Howard</i> , from <i>Chester</i> for <i>London</i>		4000
To the <i>Dorothy</i> , capt. <i>Best</i> from <i>Portland</i> for <i>Dublin</i>		1500
To the <i>Barbadoes</i> Packet, capt. <i>Dawson</i>		1000
	<i>Carried forward</i>	356600

6100

Brought forward 579600

2000

By a Ship with 6000 Pieces of Eight,
and valuable Goods, taken by a
Bermuda Privateer 2000

1500

By two rich Ships taken by Capt.
Wickham of *Newport* in *New-*
England. 5000

6000

By a Xebeque taken by the *Garland* 1000

By a Privateer taken, and one sunk
by the *Ipswich* 800

4000

By the *Princessa* Man of War, 68
Guns and 700 Men, taken by Capt.
Main, Capt. *Durell*, and Lord
Augustus Fitzroy 60000

3000

By a Sloop with Sugar, taken by
Capt. *Price* of *South Carolina* 1600

2000

By 4 large Ships taken by the *Ruby* 20000

8000

By a Canoe with 20000 Pieces of
Eight, and a rich Ship taken by
the *Virgin Queen* Privateer, Capt.
Hall 10000

2500

By two Ships taken by Capt. *Baynard*
of *Boston.* 5000

0000

By a Sloop taken by a Sloop of
Charlestown 500

5000

By a Privateer of *St Jago de Cuba* of
18 Guns, taken by the *Greenwich* 1000

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By a Snow, a Brigantine, and a Sloop
taken by Capt. *Snee* of *Jamaica* 10000

6000

Carried forward 696500

<i>Spain to Great Britain</i>	<i>Dr.</i>
	<i>l.</i>
<i>Brought forward</i>	356600
To the <i>William</i> and <i>Ann</i> , capt. <i>Jobson</i> , from <i>Gibraltar</i> to <i>London</i>	3000
To the <i>Biddisford</i> capt. <i>Finny</i> , and the <i>Dorothy</i> capt. <i>Wilson</i> from <i>Bristol</i> for <i>Jamaica</i>	4000
To the <i>Robert</i> and <i>Sarah</i> , capt. <i>Darlow</i>	2000
To the <i>Vineyard</i> , capt. <i>Villacott</i> from <i>Northam</i> for <i>Morlaix</i>	1500
To the <i>Owners Endeavour</i> , capt. <i>Fox</i> from <i>Bordeaux</i> for <i>Dublin</i> .	2500
To the <i>Baltick Merchant</i> , capt. <i>Holway</i> with <i>Rice</i> and <i>Dye-woods</i>	7000
To the <i>Beaver</i> , capt. <i>Webb</i> , from <i>New-England</i>	2500
To the <i>Dorothy</i> , capt. <i>Douglas</i> from <i>Antigua</i> for <i>London</i> , and the <i>Mary</i> , capt. <i>Redman</i> from <i>Dublin</i> for <i>Nants</i>	3000
To the <i>Townsend Packet-boat</i> , capt. <i>Cooper</i> from <i>Lisbon</i> for <i>London</i>	20000

<i>Carried forward</i>	402100

Per Contra

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56600	<i>Brought forward</i>	696500
3000	By three Sloops taken between <i>Porto-Bello</i> and <i>Carthagera</i> , and carried into <i>Jamaica</i> , said to be vastly rich	8000
4000	By the <i>St Sebastian y las Animas</i> Privateer, Capt. <i>Don Pablo de Arbez</i> of 12 Guns, taken by the <i>Deptford</i> , Capt. <i>Pocklington</i>	1000
2000	By a <i>Barcolonga</i> from <i>Cadiz</i> for the <i>Groyn</i> , with 50 Cannon and Ammunition taken by the <i>Deal-castle</i>	6000
1500	By a Tartan loaded with Oil and Wine, and 6000 Dollars, taken by Capt. <i>Whitchurch</i> of the <i>Constantine</i>	5000
2500	By a Privateer taken by the <i>Lilliputian</i> Tender.	500
7000	By a Privateer of 10 Guns, Capt. <i>Don Sebastian Cavalla</i> , taken by the <i>Greyhound</i> , Capt. <i>Peyton</i> .	600
2500	By the <i>Noftra Seigniora de la Concepcion</i> Privateer of 22 Guns, taken by the <i>Garland</i> Man of War	1000
3000	By a Ship, taken by a <i>New York</i> Privateer, Capt. <i>Lush</i> , said to be worth 35000 l. Sterling.	20000
20000	By a Privateer of 20 Guns, taken by the <i>Shoreham</i> .	500
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	<i>Carried forward</i>	737100

Spain to Great Britain Dr.
l.

<i>Brought forward</i>	402100
To the <i>Happy Return</i> , capt. <i>Basset</i> from <i>Mountsbay</i>	3000
To the <i>Sarah</i> capt. <i>Reid</i>	3000
To the <i>Winyaw</i> , capt. <i>Bruce</i>	1600
To the <i>Welcome</i> , capt. <i>Ball</i> from <i>Gibraltar</i> for <i>Cork</i>	2000
To a <i>Tinmouth</i> Brigantine of 60 Tuns	300
To a <i>Bermudas</i> Ship, capt. <i>Perenchief</i>	1500
To the <i>Martha</i> and <i>Mary</i> , capt. <i>Wilcocks</i> from <i>Virginia</i> for <i>Liverpool</i>	5000
To the <i>Davey</i> , capt. <i>Patton</i> from <i>South Carolina</i> for <i>Cowes</i>	2000
To the <i>Charming Sally</i> , capt. <i>Watson</i> from <i>London</i> for <i>Havre</i>	3000
To the <i>Two Brothers</i> , capt. <i>Ray</i> , from <i>Swanizey</i> for <i>Lisbon</i>	1500
To the <i>Unicorn</i> , capt. <i>Polkinghorn</i> from <i>Falmouth</i> with <i>Hops</i>	5000
To the <i>Union</i> , capt. <i>Tackness</i> from <i>New-York</i>	2000

Carried forward 434000

Dr.

l.

402100

3000

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300

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3000

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5000

2000

434000

Brought forward 737100

By FORT CHAGRE, viz.

4300 Serons and Bags of *Guayaquil* Cocoa, *Jesuits* Bark and *Spanish* Wool. Two *Guarda Costa's* sunk. 11 *Brass* Cannon. 11 *Pateraroes*. The Fort demolished, and a Booty taken of 100000 l. 200000

By a Ship with 50 Tons of Gun-powder, taken by a *Rhode-Island* Privateer, Capt. *Allen*. 2000

By 2 Ships taken out of *Salo Bay*, by the *Pembroke* and *Advice*. 1000

By 2 Privateers taken by the *Squirrel*, Capt. *Warren*. 1000

By a Sloop with Cocoa, Silver, &c. said to be worth 20000 l. taken by the *George* Privateer, Capt. *Axon*. 8000

By a Dutch Ship of 24 Guns, *Spanish* Cargo, vastly rich, from *Cadiz*, for *La Vera Cruz*, taken by Admiral *Vernon*. 10000

By a large Ship, said to be worth 20000 l. taken by a *St Kitts* Privateer, Capt. *Cunningham*. 10000

By the *Noftra Signiora*, from *Palma*, for *Havana*, with 240 Pipes of Wine, and Brandy, and dry Goods,

Carried forward 969100

Spain to Great Britain Dr.

l.

Brought forward 434000

To the *Port-Royal*, capt. *Nicholson*
from *Bristol* for *Jamaica* 3500

To an *Irish* Ship not named, with Beef
and Butter 2600

To the *Laurel*, capt. *Tress*, the *Good-*
hope, capt. *Seager* from *Phila-*
delphia, and the *Unity*, capt. *Hun-*
ter, from *Petersburgh*, all for *Lis-*
bon 7000

To the *Margaret*, capt. *Taylor*, from
Newfoundland for *Portugal* 2000

To the *Illustrious Pair* of *Bristol*,
capt. *Wilkey* 3000

To the *Margaret* of *Waterford* 1500

To the *Prosperity*, capt. *Lawson*, cut
out of *Santa Cruz* in *Barbary* 1000

To the *Clement*, capt. *Kitter*, from
Newfoundland for *Pool* 1600

To a Schooner, capt. *Nesbit* 800

To the *St Anthony* Sloop 1000

Carried forward 458000

Dr. l.	(21) Per Contra	Cr. l.
34000	<i>Brought forward</i> taken by a <i>Jamaica</i> Privateer, Capt. <i>Wilford</i> .	969100 3000
3500	By a Sloop of 120 Tons, taken by the <i>Roebuck</i> , Capt. <i>Crawford</i> .	1000
2600	By a Privateer taken by a Merchant- man, Capt. <i>Sparworth</i> .	400
	By a Boat, (Lug-sail) said to be a <i>French</i> Fisher, 25 Tons, and 40 Men, taken by the <i>Fox</i> .	30
7000	Py a Privateer of 10 Guns, with an <i>English</i> Ship in tow, taken by the <i>Garland</i> .	400
2000	By a rich Ship, taken by Capt. <i>Grif- fith</i> , of <i>Rhode-Island</i> .	5000
3000	By a Register Ship, said to be worth 30000 <i>l.</i> taken by a <i>New-York</i> Pri- vateer, Capt. <i>Woolford</i> .	20000
1500	By 2 Ships taken by the <i>Saltafb</i> Sloop.	2000
1000	By the <i>St Joseph</i> Privateer, taken by the <i>Newcastle</i> .	400
1600	By 2 small Privateers drove on Shore at <i>Nantz</i> , by the <i>Dolphin</i> and <i>New- castle</i> .	600
800	By a Ship with 350 Barrels of Pow- der, 300 Small-arms, and 300 Pieces of Eight, taken by a Pettyauger of <i>Jamaica</i> , Capt. <i>Ford</i> .	1500
1000		
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58000	<i>Carried forward</i>	1003450

<i>Spain to Great Britain</i>	Dr.
	<i>l.</i>
<i>Brought forward</i>	458000
To the <i>Francis</i> , capt. <i>Clark</i> from St.	
<i>Kits for London</i>	3000
To the <i>Plymouth</i> , capt. <i>Olive</i> , from	
<i>Newfoundland for Portugal</i>	1500
To the <i>Mary</i> , capt. <i>Rossiter</i> , from	
<i>Waterford for Oporto</i>	2000
To the <i>Thomas</i> , capt. — from Scot-	
<i>land, for Mortaix</i>	2000
To a Sloop, capt. <i>Tisdén</i> , from <i>Ja-</i>	
<i>maica for Boston</i>	1500
To — capt. <i>Trout</i> , carried to <i>Ha-</i>	
<i>vana</i>	1500
To the <i>Union</i> , capt. <i>Scott</i> , with <i>Pil-</i>	
<i>chards</i>	1500
To the <i>Mitchel</i> , capt. <i>Lunfesty</i> , from	
<i>Barbadoes for Guernsey</i>	3000
To the — capt. <i>Steel</i> from <i>London</i>	
<i>for Gainsborough</i>	800
To the <i>Thomas</i> , capt. <i>Murray</i>	4000
To the <i>Supply</i> , capt. <i>Tobin</i> , from <i>Cork</i>	
<i>to Gibraltar</i>	2500
<i>Carried forward</i>	481300

Per Contra Cr.
l.

	<i>Brought forward</i>	1003450
8000	By a Ship of 300 Tons, with 6 Six-Pounders, richly laden with Oil and Wine, taken by the <i>Peggy Privateer</i> , of <i>St Kitts</i> .	5000
3000	By a Privateer of 10 Guns, taken by the <i>Bonetta Sloop</i> .	400
1500	By a Settee, of 70 Men, taken by the <i>Spy Sloop</i> .	300
2000	By 2 Sloops destroyed by Capt. <i>Ben-net</i> , of <i>Jamaica</i> .	600
2000	By a Privateer of <i>St Jago de Cuba</i> , of 18 Guns, taken by the <i>Sheerneß</i> , Capt. <i>Stapleton</i> .	500
500	By a rich Ship, taken by the <i>Boyde Privateer</i> , Capt. <i>Coult</i> , said to be of 10000 <i>l.</i> value.	5000
500	By a <i>Guarda Costa</i> with valuable Goods, taken by Capt. <i>Boscawen</i> .	3000
500	By a Privateer, taken by the <i>Lively</i> .	400
000	By a Ship taken by a Man of War not nam'd, and carried into <i>Gibraltar</i> .	500
800	By the <i>Nostra Signiora del Charo Privateer</i> , taken by the <i>Dolphin</i> , Capt. <i>Houlborn</i> .	500
000	By a Launch, taken by the <i>Rose</i> .	50
500	By a Ship with 50 Tons of Powder, taken by the <i>Ann Privateer</i> .	1000
300		

Carried forward 1020700

Spain to Great Britain

Dr.

l.

<i>Brought forward</i>	481300
To the <i>Lancashire Witch</i> Sloop	800
To the <i>Mary Snow</i> capt. <i>Best</i> from <i>South Carolina</i> for <i>London</i>	3000
To the <i>Boulter</i> , capt. <i>Walton</i> , from <i>Carolina</i> for <i>London</i>	3500
To the <i>John</i> , capt. <i>Blomart</i> , from <i>Bristol</i> for <i>Leghorn</i>	6000
To the little <i>Polly</i> , capt. <i>Parker</i>	1500
To the <i>Prudent Sarah</i> , capt. <i>Warren</i>	1500
To the <i>Wilmington</i> , capt. <i>Bulmer</i> from <i>Smyrna</i> for <i>London</i>	6000
To the <i>Ellen</i> , capt. <i>Raoul</i> , from <i>London</i> for <i>Oporto</i>	4000
To the <i>Britannia</i> , capt. <i>Dent</i> , from <i>Cork</i> for <i>Genoa</i>	2500
To ——— for <i>New-York</i> in ballast	1000
To the <i>Telemachus</i> , capt. <i>Austen</i> , from <i>Leghorn</i> for <i>London</i>	4000
To the <i>Carbonier Pink</i> , from <i>Pool</i> for <i>Newfoundland</i>	800
<i>Carried forward</i>	515900

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By 4 Xebecks, and a Tartane of 120 Tons with Wine and Brandy.	2000
By a Dutch ship said to have 60000 Pieces of Eight, Cocoa, &c. taken by Admiral <i>Haddeck</i> .	15000
By a large Sloop, taken by a <i>Jamai-</i> <i>ca</i> Privateer, said to be worth 15000 l.	6000
By a <i>Barcolonga</i> with Artillery Store, taken by the <i>Fly</i> Sloop.	1000
By a Brigantine, 2 Sloops, and the <i>Ann</i> , (<i>Dutch</i>) taken by the <i>Ver-</i> <i>non</i> Privateer, Capt. <i>Bonamy</i> .	3000
By 2 Ships, taken by the <i>St An-</i> <i>drew</i> Privateer, of <i>Rhode-Island</i> , Capt. <i>Davidson</i> .	1200
By a large Ship, with Supply for the Garrison at <i>Cartagena</i> , taken in the Windward Passage, by Capt. <i>Hall</i> , in the <i>Virgin Queen</i> Privateer.	2000
By a Tender to the <i>Ferrol</i> Squadron with Gun-powder.	600
By 3 Dutch ships laden with Cordage, and Provision, for <i>Cartagena</i> , taken by a <i>New-York</i> Privateer.	3000
By a Privateer, drove on shore near <i>St Jago de Cuba</i> , by the <i>Squirrel</i> .	400

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Brought forward		515900
To a <i>Tinmouth</i> Sloop, capt. <i>Davis</i>		800
To — — capt. <i>Real</i>		1000
To the <i>Hannah</i> Snow, Capt. <i>Tout</i>		1500
To — — from <i>Salem</i> , and the — — from <i>Rhode-Island</i> , for <i>Barbadoes</i> .		2000
To the <i>Ann</i> , Capt. <i>Mitchel</i> , from <i>Falmouth</i> for <i>Portugal</i> .		3000
To the — —, Capt. <i>Buck</i> , from <i>Swanzy</i> , for <i>Oporto</i> .		1000
To the <i>Dove</i> , (Guinea-man) Capt <i>Lee</i> , for <i>Liverpool</i> .		10000
To the <i>Gleaves</i> , Capt. <i>Doman</i> , from <i>Lisbon</i> , for <i>London</i> .		8000
To — —, of 300 Tons, from <i>London</i> , for <i>Gibraltar</i> .		6000
To the <i>Susanna</i> , Capt. <i>Partington</i> , from <i>South-Carolina</i> , for <i>London</i> .		3000
To the <i>John</i> and <i>Mary</i> , of <i>Dublin</i> , Capt. <i>Burne</i> , for <i>Antigua</i> .		1500
To the <i>Thomisine</i> , Capt. <i>Richards</i> , from <i>New-England</i> , for <i>Hull</i> .		1500
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Brought forward 1054900
 By a Brigantine taken by the *Tilbury*. 800
 By a *Swede*, a *French*, and a *Dutch*
 ship, with naval Stores, taken by
 the *Deal-castle*, Capt. *West*. 4000
 By the *Jupiter*, of 250 Tons, and 16
 Guns, with large Iron Cannon,
 Powder, and Bar-Iron, taken by
 the *Sea-horse*. 2000
 By a ship with Wine for *Cadiz*, ta-
 ken by the *Eagle* Privateer, Capt.
Dumaresque. 1000
 By a ship with Stores, Ammunition,
 and 20000 Dollars, taken by the
Squirrel, Capt. *Warren*. 8000
 By a Privateer of 20 Guns, sunk by
 Capt. *Gwynn*, in the *Princess Au-*
gusta. 1200
 By a Dutch ship with 8000 Pieces of
 Eight, taken by Capt. *Hobson*. 1500
 By 2 Settees, and a ship of 16 Guns,
 with a valuable Cargo, taken by
 the *Dursey*. 3000
 By a large ship taken off *Seville*, by
 Capt. *Dumaresque*. 2000
 By a Privateer taken by 2 Tenders,
 near *Havre*. 200
 By a Privateer of 10 Guns, taken by
 the *Kingston*, Capt. *Norris*. 400

Carried forward 1079000

Spain to Great Britain Dr.

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	Brought forward	555200
To the <i>Phoenix</i> , Capt. <i>Buckley</i> , from London, for <i>Gibraltar</i> .		2500
To the <i>Priscilla</i> , Capt. <i>Cullen</i> , from Liverpool, to the <i>West-Indies</i> .		4000
To 2 Ships taken by the <i>Cadiz</i> Squa- dron.		3000
To the <i>Desire</i> , from <i>Italy</i> , to <i>Bristol</i> .		3500
To the <i>John</i> and <i>Mary</i> , Capt. <i>Troy</i> , from <i>Lisbon</i> to <i>Dublin</i> .		2500
To the <i>Industry</i> , Capt. <i>Smith</i> , from the <i>West-Indies</i> .		4000
To the <i>Nonpareil</i> , Capt. <i>Blackman</i> , from <i>London</i> for <i>Gibraltar</i> .		15000
To the <i>Catherine</i> , Capt. <i>Bryan</i> , from Cork for <i>Gibraltar</i> .		2500
To the <i>Mary</i> , Capt. <i>Witbe</i> , from Newfoundland.		800
To the <i>Gale</i> Frigate, Capt. <i>Black- burn</i> , from <i>Jamaica</i> , for <i>London</i> .		3000
To the <i>Indian Queen</i> , Capt. <i>Dol- man</i> , from <i>Jamaica</i> , for <i>Bristol</i> .		5000
	Carried forward	601000

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	<i>Brought forward</i>	1079000
55200	By a large ship, with 200 Head of Cattle, and 600 baggs of Flower, taken near <i>Oran</i> , by the <i>Dursey</i> , C. <i>Hughs</i> .	1000
2500	By a ship drove on shore between <i>Oporto</i> and <i>Villa de Conde</i> , by the <i>Bonetta</i> Sloop.	400
4000	By a small Brig, taken by the <i>Rye</i> .	200
3000	By 5 ships taken by the <i>Hargrave</i> Privateer, of <i>Gibraltar</i> .	2000
3500	By a large Dutch ship, with naval Stores and Provisions, taken by Admiral <i>Haddock</i> .	800
2500	By 2 small ships, taken by the <i>Dragon</i>	600
4000	By the <i>St Antonio de Padua</i> Privateer, 18 Guns, taken by the <i>Rupert</i> , Capt. <i>Ambrose</i> .	800
15000	<i>Admiral VERNON</i> anchor'd before <i>Cartagena</i> the 4th of March, 1740-1, and took, sunk, burnt and demolish'd, as follows, viz.	
2500		Guns l.
	<i>Bocachica</i>	80 8000
800	<i>Fort St Joseph</i>	20 2000
	<i>Fort St philip</i>	15 1000
	<i>Fort St Jago</i>	6 500
3000	<i>Fascine Batteries</i>	20 200
	<i>Two Batteries at</i>	
	<i>Passe Cavalla</i>	13 100
5000	<i>Castillo-Grande</i>	63 6000
1000	<i>Fort Manzinello</i>	12 200

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<i>Spain to Great Britain</i>	<i>Dr.</i>	
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<i>Brought forward</i>		601000
To the — —, <i>Hinman</i> , from <i>Philadel-</i>		
<i>phia</i> , for <i>Jamaica</i> .		1500
To the <i>Lancaster</i> , <i>Capt. Walker</i> ,		
from <i>Jamaica</i> , for <i>Lancaster</i> .		3500

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The St Philip

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The Conquistadore

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The Dragon

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Besides all the Ships in the Harbour.

By two Ships from *St Fago* to *Carthagena*, taken by the *Falmouth*,
Capt. *Douglas*

1500

By a Register Ship (and an Aviso
from *Cadiz* to *Carthagena*) taken
by Capt. *Trevor*

20000

By a Ship from *Ferrol* and one from
Porto Bello, taken by C. *Mostyn*

2000

By a rich Ship taken by the *George*
Privateer, Capt. *Drummond*

3000

By a French Ship of 350 Tuns,
16 Guns, with Provisions taken by
the *Defiance*

2000

By a large Ship with Bale Goods,
said to be worth 50000 l. taken
by the *Defiance*.

25000

By a French Ship with 1387 Pistoles,
290 l. in Silver, 200 Ounces Plate,

606000

Carried forward 1601300

Spain to Great Britain.

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Brought forward 606000To the *Lynn Bylander*, Capt. *Swim-*
merton, from *Guernsey*, for *London*. 2500To the *Rainger*, Capt. *Johnston*, from
Virginia, for *Boston*. 3500

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<i>Brought forward</i>		1601300
700 Barrels of Flower, Cocoa, Gold and Silver Lace for <i>Car-</i> <i>tagena</i> , taken by the <i>Squirrel</i> Capt. <i>Warren</i>		4000
By a <i>French Ship</i> of 500 Tons with Flower, Iron, and Naval Stores		2000
By a Ship with Salt		500
By a <i>French Ship</i> , with Naval Stores taken by the <i>Bonetta Sloop</i>		700
By a new Xebeque taken by the <i>Ald-</i> <i>borough</i>		300
By a Ship laden with Barley taken by the <i>Dragon</i>		600
By two small Privateers taken by the <i>Galloper Tender</i>		400
By 40 Pieces of Cannon taken out of a <i>French Ship</i> by Capt. <i>Pawlet</i>		2000
By 30 Pieces of Cannon taken out of a <i>French Ship</i> by the <i>Vernon</i> Privateer, Capt. <i>Willis</i>		1500
By the <i>Biscaya</i> Privateer of 12 Guns taken by the <i>Rupert</i> , Capt. <i>Ambrose</i>		600
By a stout Ship of 24 Guns taken by the <i>Sunderland</i>		1000
By a <i>Dutch Fly-boat</i> of 300 Tons from <i>Porto Bello</i> with Cocoa		1500
By a large Ship taken by a <i>Rhode-</i> <i>Island</i> Privateer, Capt. <i>Collingwood</i>		1000

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Thus, Sir, it appears, that we are indebted to *Spain* 1005400 *l.* and I appeal to every impartial Gentleman, who will examine the Calculations, if I have not greatly *lessen'd* the Gain of the *English*, and *encreased* that of *Spain*.

This is a large Sum for two Years, but, I have reason to believe, is far short of the *real Gain*, especially if we could include the vast Profit that Commodore *Anson* has by this time probably made, and the great Advantage of our *West-India* Trade, which I am well informed is more extensive than ever, as 'tis dangerous for other Nations to trade there; add to these the Hopes and Expectations from Sir *John Norris*.

It may not be improper to subjoin a few Remarks on the foregoing Account.

The Sea between *Cape St Vincent*, and *Cape Finester* is 120 Leagues, and between the Isle of *Usbent* and *Cape Ortegall* almost as much, so that 'tis not so practicable to let Ships of a proper Force ply there, on a Cruize, as is generally imagined; for in a hard Gale at N. or N. W. or W. they must be obliged to put into some Port of *Portugal*, *France* or *Spain*, whilst the smaller Ships of the Enemy may go from, and retire to their own Ports with Safety.

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As the Trade of *England* is large and extensive, we have at least fifteen Ships employed in *Europe* for one of *Spain*; our Privateers therefore cannot have the same Encouragement to follow them, as they have to pursue us.

It has been thought, that not one third of our Ships would have been taken, had they waited for proper Convoy, but many have advanced the Insurance, and proceeded on their Voyages singly, in order to come to a better Market for their Commodities; so that Ships taken thus circumstanced, ought not to be carried to the Debit of *Spain*.

The Valuation of Captures from *Spain* is vastly lessened from the common Reports of News-Papers, which are very apt to magnify our Losses, but not our Captures. The following Instances of moderated Computations, will shew, that the Damage by the War to *Spain*, might have been raised much higher.

	<i>Ships taken</i>	<i>Reported Value.</i>	<i>Rated here.</i>
P. 17.	One by Capt. <i>Lusington</i>	35000	20000
p. 19.	by Capt. <i>Axon</i>	20000	8000
19.	by Capt. <i>Cunningham</i>	20000	10000
21.	by Capt. <i>Woolford</i>	30000	20000
23.	by Capt. <i>Coult</i>	10000	5000
25.	by a <i>Jamaica</i> Privateer	15000	6000
31.	by the <i>Defiance</i>	50000	25000
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In these few Articles			

Our *West-India* Privateers have taken ample Satisfaction for past Injuries, as *Spain*, in that Part of the World, gives them a large Field.

'Tis not impossible but some Ships have been taken by consent, in order to defraud the Insurers.

I submit it, if many of our Ships have not been insured by Foreigners.

On a Review of the foregoing Account, it appears that we have taken from *Spain*, from *July* 1739, to *July* 1741.

7 Men of War
6 Galleons
31 Privateers
127 Ships

Besides the Forts and Castles, of *Porto Bello Chagra*, and *Cartagena*, entirely demolished ; and, that they have taken from us

154 Ships.

And, 'tis remarkable, we have not lost one *King's Ship*, nor above one or two Privateers.

Undoubtedly many Gentlemen could make out a more exact List, especially the *Insurers*

mers of England and Holland, tho' some imagine they have contributed to the Reports of our great Losses, in order to raise the Price of Insurance; but till a better List is made, this may serve to shew the *Malice* of domestic Enemies, spirited up into Faction, who, regardless of Truth, or even the least Shadow of it, have represented the Loss to be almost all on our Side. *By their Fruit ye shall know them.* Witness the many Absurdities, Falsities, vile Innuendoes, &c. that are daily retail'd and greedily swallowed by the ignorant; the Inventers of which, I am convinced, are actuated by no other Motive than to distress the *Government*, and render us *less formidable* to our Enemies, by making us a *divided People*.

Let us look back to our News-Paper and Weekly Tracts, and we shall be astonished, when we see printed the Substance of imaginary *Orders* and *Instructions* to Admirals and Ambassadors, which they never heard of. Do we not read Debates at the *Privy Council*, which we know could not be communicated? Have we not heard the Lye given to the *Winds*? And have they not taken upon them to direct their Blasts? Have they not endeavoured to raise a *Mutiny* in the Fleets, by saying the *Provisions* were *unsound*, and that the *Powder* was *weaker than the Enemy's*? Have they not abused a brave and honest

nest Admiral, by saying he *stept* in the *Mediterranean*, and was quite useless, tho' the *Lisbon* and *Italian* Merchants, and the *Turky Company*, think quite otherwise? Have they not sent out or retarded Fleets of all Nations at their Will and Pleasure? and have they not built and formed Arguments from these *Falshoods* to censure and abuse *Actions* that never were or could be *acted*?

Charity will make us wish for their Repentance, but if they are harden'd in their Crimes, no Punishment is sufficient.

May every true *Briton* think with Justice, Humanity and Impartiality on our present Situation, and then he will be convinced that every Action was intended, conducted and executed with as much Care for the *publick Utility* as human Prudence could direct; he will then reflect, that if there has been any Delay or seeming Error committed by the Government in the Conduct of this just War, it is highly probable, it proceeded from the wise Consideration, that the Peace and Safety of the Nation, required to be guarded from *secret Enemies*, prior to annoying our declared Foes. I am,

S I R,

Your most humble Servant,

HONESTUS.

ADVERTISEMENT.

IT may not be improper to inform the Reader, that the foregoing Accounts were collected, and the Remarks written, at a great Distance from London, and sent by Sea to the Person charged with the Publication of them; they may for that Reason be less compleat and exact.

After the Sheets were printed off, some Conversation happening on this Subject among Persons acquainted with Commercial and Naval Affairs, it was agreed, that several of the Ships taken by the Spaniards are rated below the Value, but that of others the Estimation is too high. One Article in particular was unanimously adjudged to be extravagantly enhanced; it is that of the British Merchants Effects seized in Spain upon the Declaration of War, the Value of which is set down at 200,000 l. whereas a Gentleman present would insure all the Loss that there could be on that Account at 8000 l.

It was observed too, that some Ships are represented in this List to be taken by the Spaniards, (as the Lancashire Witch, also a Ship for Gibraltar, and another for Gainsborough) which were reported to be taken, but came afterwards safe to Port. Other Ships are entered,

tered as taken, the Names unknown, and the Value computed, which Ships are mentioned afterwards by their Names, and the Value set down again in the Account.

As there does not therefore appear any Partiality in stating these Accounts, this Attempt of Honestus to make a Balance of our Profit and Loss, tho' deficient, or erroneous, in some respect, for want of better Opportunities of Knowledge, ought to be received with Candour. However that shall be, the Editor thinks himself obliged to promise, that if any Gentleman or Merchant will be pleased to send to the Publisher of this Pamphlet any new Accounts or Amendment of these, they shall be considered and published, either in a second Edition, or a second Part.

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 P. 26. l. 19. for London read Lisbon.
 P. 8. l. 22. for Jamaica read Barbadoes,*

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